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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	:	Before the Examiner:
David William Boerstler	:	Tse, Young Toi
Serial No.: 09/820,512	:	Group Art Unit: 2637
Filed: March 29, 2001	:	
Title: SYNCHRONIZATION STATE	:	IBM Corporation
DETECTOR	:	Intellectual Property Law
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

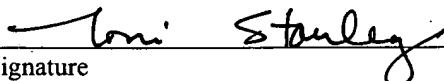
Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of August 16, 2004 (Paper No. 3), having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on November 16, 2004, and extended to December 16, 2004 by the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time, please reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following remarks:

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on 11-30, 2004.


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